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Senate Resolution 816

By: Senators Hawkins of the 49th and Murphy of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America
- 2 (PhRMA) on the 20th anniversary of its Discoverers Award program; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, scientists in cutting-edge laboratories of America's pharmaceutical research
- 4 companies create most of the world's new medicines, which benefit tens of millions of
- 5 patients; and
- 6 WHEREAS, because of their efforts, more than 2,500 medicines are in development today,
- 7 giving patients greater therapeutic options; and
- 8 WHEREAS, these potential new treatments include pharmaceuticals for cancer, Alzheimer's
- 9 disease, infectious disease, heart disease, arthritis, stroke, diabetes, obesity, hypertension,
- HIV/AIDS, and many other life-threatening and debilitating diseases and medical conditions;
- 11 and
- 12 WHEREAS, the men and women who discover and create these medicines deserve
- 13 recognition for their life-saving and life-enhancing accomplishments; and
- 14 WHEREAS, to accomplish this the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America
- 15 (PhRMA) established the Discoverers Award program, which each year honors those
- scientists who tirelessly research and develop the new pharmaceuticals that have benefitted
- 17 patients worldwide; and
- 18 WHEREAS, it has been stated that this award is not just for the scientists, but for the
- 19 hundreds of employees and outside investigators who devote countless days and nights to
- 20 exploring the promise of a therapy for often desperate patients.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 22 recognize the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America on the 20th

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1 anniversary of its Discoverers Award program and commend them for their outstanding work

- 2 in pharmaceutical research.
- 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 4 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Pharmaceutical Research and
- 5 Manufacturers of America.